

**COMMITTEE MINUTES for  
AGRICULTURE & NATURAL RESOURCES  
APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE**

**Date:** April 12, 2001

**Place:** Room 118

**Convened:** 10:17 AM    **Recessed:** 11:28 am    **Reconvened:** 4:51 PM

**Adjourned:** 5:26 PM

**Present:** Senators Gaskill-CH, Sexton-VC, Black-RM, Fink, Greiner  
Representatives Drake-CH, Kettering-VC, Mertz-RM, Baudler, Eddie, Hahn,  
May, Quirk, Schrader

Representative Drake called the meeting to order in Room 118, April 12, 2001, at 10:17 a.m.

The clerk called the roll with all members present. Senator Gaskill moved to approve the minutes.

Representative Drake explained the intent of the meeting. Representative Drake asked comments from Deb Kozel on the proposed bill, which she went through each item of the bill.

Representative Drake recognized Jeffrey Vonk, Director Nominee for the Department of Natural Resources, regarding the Natural Resources proposed budget cuts and what the cuts would mean to the different departments.

Jamie Cashman, from the Department of Agriculture answered questions about moving funds from one department to another and commented that they try to use the funds according to the line item.

Representative Drake called a Republican Caucus. The committee reconvened and Representative Drake recessed the committee to reconvene immediately after the House and Senate adjourn for the day.

The committee reconvened at 4:51 p.m. Dennis May was excused. Representative Drake asked for a discussion on the bill. Senator Greiner presented amendment 302. Amendment 302 passed on a short form vote. Senator Gaskill presented amendment 301. Amendment 301 passed on a short form vote. Senators Black, Fink, Representatives Mertz, Quirk, and Schrader asked to be recorded as a no vote.

Representative Drake moved adoption of TLSB 1102JA 79 with 8 aye and 5 nay. Senators Gaskill, Sexton, and Greiner voted aye and Senators Black and Fink voted nay. Representatives Drake, Kettering, Baudler, Eddie, and Hahn voted aye, Representatives Mertz, Quirk, and Schrader voted nay with May excused.

Senator Fink moved to arise at 5:26 p.m.

Shirley Drake, Committee Secretary